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SUBJECT: FEBRUARY CG-18 MEETING

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1. ON JANUARY 18 MISSION OFFICER RAISED QUESTION OF FEB MEETING WITH GATT DIRECTOR PHAN VAN PHI ALONG LINES OF PARAS 1 AND 2 OF REFTEL A. RESPONSE WAS THAT COMMISSION HAS NO OBJECTION TO CONTINUED EFFORT TO BREATHE LIFE INTO THE CG-18 BUT IS NOT SANGUINE THAT THIS CAN BE DONE. COMMISSION PUTS MOST OF BLAME FOR THIS ON THE GATT DIRECTOR GENERAL.

2. INITIAL COMMISSION REACTION WAS THAT DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL LOEFF WOULD PROBABLY ATTEND FEB MEETING.

3. AT LUNCH JAN 18, IN REPLYING TO FRANK WEIL'S QUESTION
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ABOUT IMPORTANCE OF NON-TARIFF BARRIERS, SIR ROY DENMAN INDICATED HIS BELIEF THAT EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO LOOK BEYOND END OF TOKYO-ROUND AT GATT PROBLEMS FOR THE 1980'S. AMBASSADOR TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO SUGGEST THAT CG-18 MIGHT PLAY USEFUL ROLE IN THIS RESPECT, TO URGE THAT DENMAN DISCUSS THIS WITH WOLFF, AND, IF POSSIBLE, ATTEND HIMSELF FEB MEETING.

4. DENMAN SUBSEQUENTLY TOLD MISSION OFFICER THAT HE WOULD BE HAPPY TO DISCUSS QUESTION FURTHER WITH AMB WOLFF NEXT WEEK IN GENEVA AND THAT HE WOULD TRY TO ATTEND FEB MEETING. HINTON

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